

In the Name of God Omnia

John Johnson of the County of Polk & State of Georgia being of sound Mind And Memory And Considering the uncertainty of this present & transitory life do therefore make certain publish and declare this to be my last will and testament that is to say first after all my lawfull debts are paid and discharged the residue of my Estate real & personal I give bequeath & dispose of as follows to wit

1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to Mary Davis (wife of Van H. Davis) & to her heire heirs three Hundred Fifty Dollars Interest in lot of land etc 54 1/4 fifty four in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Township Second List 3<sup>d</sup> Section & also all my house hold furniture consisting of a bed & furniture a chest & trunk &c

2<sup>d</sup> Should I have any money on hand at the passing of this will & expenses of Burial I desire that five Dollars cash should be given each to J. H. Thomas & Sarah Thomas

3<sup>r</sup> I make & constitute & appoint Van H. Davis agent in trust for his children or the Children of Mary Davis in case said Mary Davis should die before the said Van H. Davis

4<sup>t</sup> I desire that Van H. Davis & J. H. Thomas shall see that I am decently buried in a plain Steele & wreathy as convenient after burial to have a stone or brick wall of one yard above the ground a decent little house erected on said wall & covered ther security in order that my grave should be protected from the weather For this service I desire that the said V. H. Davis & J. H. Thomas should have & receive Thirty Dollars in Specie which I shall leave for that purpose

In witness whereof I have hereunto Subscribed my name & attested my seal this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 1855

John Johnson

The above written instrument was Subscribed by the said John Johnson in my presence and acknowledged by him to each of us & at the same time published & declared that the same instrument to be his last will & testament & we at the testator's request in his presence have signed our names as witnesses thereto and written opposite our names our respective places of residence L. H. Mathews Gadsden Ga

Loren Shippal " " "

W. H. Sechrist " " "

Georgia 13<sup>th</sup> before me came on this 14<sup>th</sup> instant John Johnson for the purpose of proving the last will & testament of John Johnson son of the subscriber to said wife Mary J. H. Mathews

I read the will bearing him before that time brought before me to probate by Van H. Davis the Husband & next friend of Mary Davis who has given a deposition for the same to the said J. H. Mathews deposes of the same that he saw said John Johnson sign & publish it to me as his last will on the day & year then stated as recorded by him that he witnessed the same at his request in his presence & on the presence of the other witnesses that the same was read & recited by him while he was of sound mind disposing mind and memory

J. H. Mathews

Witnessed and subscribed before me this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 1855

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